Auditing Procedures Report

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			Other	Township	of Spencer		Kent					
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des I, th	15. To our knowledge, bank reconciliations that were reviewed were performed timely. If a local unit of government (authorities and commissions included) is operating within the boundaries of the audited entity and is not included in this or any other audit report, nor do they obtain a stand-alone audit, please enclose the name(s), address(es), and a description(s) of the authority and/or commission. I, the undersigned, certify that this statement is complete and accurate in all respects.											
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Township of Spencer Kent County, Michigan FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Trustees Township of Spencer, Michigan

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Township of Spencer, Michigan, as of March 31, 2007, and for the year then ended, which collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements, as listed in the contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Township's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Township of Spencer, Michigan, as of March 31, 2007, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

The budgetary comparison information, on pages 15 through 17, is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

The Township of Spencer, Michigan, has not presented the management's discussion and analysis that the Governmental Accounting Standards Board has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be a part of, the financial statements.

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BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Township of Spencer STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

March 31, 2007

	Governmental activities
ASSETS	
Current assets:	
Cash	\$ 683,300
Receivables	75,869
Total current assets	759,169
Noncurrent assets:	
Capital assets not being depreciated	26,000
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	1,090,495
Total noncurrent assets	1,116,495
Total assets	1,875,664
LIABILITIES Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable	5,190
Customer deposits	13,564
Note payable	21,280
Total current liabilities	40,034
Noncurrent liabilities - note payable	55,979
Total liabilities	96,013
NET ASSETS	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Restricted for:	1,039,236
Public safety	202,585
Public works	67,671
Unrestricted	470,159
Total net assets	\$ 1,779,651

		1	Net (expenses) revenues and changes in net assets		
			Operating	Capital	
	Expenses	Charges fo services	r grants and contributions	grants and contributions	Governmental activities
Functions/Programs	Lxperises	SEI VICES	CONTIDUTIONS	CONTIDUCTORS	activities
Governmental activities:					
Legislative	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (10,000)
General government	263,980	42,747	_	-	(221,233)
Public safety	200,430	69,628		-	(130,802)
Public works	41,561	26,856	6,245	-	(8,460)
Community and economic					
development	26,768	-	-	-	(26,768)
Interest on long-term debt	4,371		· ——		(4,371)
Total governmental					
activities	<u>\$547,110</u>	<u>\$ 139,231</u>	\$ 6,245	<u> </u>	(401,634)
	General rev	enues:			
	Property	taxes			263,134
	State sha	ared revenue)		250,671
	Franchise	e fees			7,138
	Interest i	ncome			43,029
	Other				7,746
	Tota		571,718		
	Change in r	170,084			
	Net assets	- beginning			1,609,567
•	Net assets	- ending			<u>\$ 1,779,651</u>

Township of Spencer BALANCE SHEET - governmental funds

March 31, 2007

	Major funds				Total governmental		
	G	eneral		Fire	_	funds	
ASSETS Cash Receivables Due from other funds	\$	492,612 61,754 1,381	\$	190,688 14,115 -	\$	683,300 75,869 1,381	
Total assets	\$	555,747	\$	204,803	\$	760,550	
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities:							
Accounts payable Due to other funds Customer deposits	\$	4,353 - 13,564	\$ —	837 1,381 -	\$	5,190 1,381 13,564	
Total liabilities		17,917		2,218		20,135	
Fund balances: Reserved for public works Unreserved		67,671 470,159		- 202,585		67,671 672,744	
Total fund balances		537,830		202,585		740,415	
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$</u>	555,747	\$	204,803	<u>\$</u>	760,550	
Total fund balances					\$	740,415	
Amounts reported for <i>governmental activities</i> in assets (page 4) are different because:	n the s	statement of	net				
Capital assets used in <i>governmental activities</i> and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	are no	t financial re	sourc	es		1,116,495	
Long-term debt is not due and payable in the contraction that therefore, is not reported in the funds.	urrent	period and,				(77,259)	
Net assets of governmental activities					\$	1,779,651	

Township of Spencer STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - governmental funds

	Major funds				Total governmental		
		General Fire		funds			
REVENUES							
Property taxes	\$	139,869	\$	162,540	\$	302,409	
Licenses and permits	,	69,266	·		•	69,266	
State grants		256,916		_		256,916	
Charges for services		2,522		7,500		10,022	
Interest and rentals		39,149		4,830		43,979	
Other:		,		•		·	
Special assessments		26,856		-		26,856	
Miscellaneous		2,383		5,363		7,746	
	\ <u></u>					_	
Total revenues		536,961		180,233		717,194	
EXPENDITURES							
Legislative		10,000		_		10,000	
General government		246,629		-		246,629	
Public safety		54,231		96,011		150,242	
Public works		261,486		· -		261,486	
Community and economic development		26,768		beer		26,768	
Capital outlay		13,135		23,412		36,547	
Debt service:							
Principal		-		20,254		20,254	
Interest		_		4,371		4,371	
Total expenditures		612,249		144,048		756,297	
NET CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES		(75,288)		36,185		(39,103)	
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING	<u></u>	613,118		166,400		779,518	
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	<u>\$</u> _	537,830	\$	202,585	\$	740,415	

Township of Spencer STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - governmental funds (Continued)

	_	Total ernmental funds
Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$	(39,103)
Amounts reported for <i>governmental activities</i> in the statement of activities are different because:		
Capital assets: Assets acquired, net of dispositions Provision for depreciation		256,583 (67,650)
Long-term debt - principal repayment		20,254
Change in net assets of governmental activities	\$	170,084

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

The accounting policies of the Township of Spencer, Michigan (the Township), conform to U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (hereinafter referred to as generally accepted accounting principles) as applicable to governments. The following is a summary of the more significant policies.

a) Reporting entity:

The accompanying financial statements present only the Township. There are no component units, entities for which the Township is considered to be financially accountable.

b) Government-wide and fund financial statements:

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the Township. The effect of inter-fund activity has been removed from these statements.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include: (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function; and (2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

c) Measurement focus, basis of accounting, and financial statement presentation:

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources, measurement focus, and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenues as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources, measurement focus, and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available if they are collected within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Township generally considers revenues to be available if they are expected to be collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, expenditures relating to compensated absences, and claims and judgments are recorded only when payment is due.

State grants, licenses and permits, charges for services, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable only when cash is received by the government.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued):

c) Measurement focus, basis of accounting, and financial statement presentation (continued): The Township reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the Township's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the Township, except those required to be accounted for in another fund. Revenues are primarily derived from property taxes and state shared revenue.

The Fire Fund accounts for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted for expenditures for public safety purposes. Revenues are primarily derived from property taxes.

Private-sector standards of accounting issued prior to December 1, 1989, are generally followed in the government-wide financial statements to the extent that those standards do not conflict with the standards of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The Township has elected not to follow subsequent private-sector standards.

Amounts reported as program revenues include: (1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided; (2) operating grants and contributions; and (3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Township's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

- d) Assets, liabilities, and net assets or equity:
 - i) Bank deposits Cash is considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.
 - *ii)* Receivables In general, outstanding balances between funds are reported as "due to/from other funds." No allowance for uncollectible accounts has been recorded as the Township considers all receivables to be fully collectible.
 - iii) Capital assets Capital assets, which include property, equipment, and infrastructure assets (e.g., shared road costs), are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the Township as assets with an initial individual cost of more than \$1,000 (\$10,000 for infrastructure assets) and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. Governments can elect to account for infrastructure assets either retroactively to June 15, 1980, or prospectively. The Township has elected to account for infrastructure assets prospectively, beginning April 1, 2004. Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Buildings and improvements Equipment Shared road costs 50 years 5 - 20 years 40 years

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued):

- d) Assets, liabilities, and net assets or equity (Continued):
 - iv) Fund equity In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose. Designations of fund balance represent tentative management plans that are subject to change.
 - v) Property tax revenue recognition Property taxes are levied as of December 1 on property values assessed as of December 31 of the prior year. The billings are due on or before February 14, after which time the bill becomes delinquent and penalties and interest may be assessed by the Township. Property tax revenue is recognized in the year for which taxes have been levied and become available. The Township levy date is December 1, and, accordingly, the total levy is recognized as revenue in the current year.

NOTE 2 - STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY:

Budgetary information - Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles for all governmental funds. The budget document presents information by fund, function, and activity. The legal level of budgetary control adopted by the governing body is the function level. All annual appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal year.

Excess of expenditures over appropriations - The Township had the following significant budget variances:

Fund	Function	Budget	<u>Actual</u>	Variance
General	Public works	\$ 146,540	\$261,486	\$ (114,946)

NOTE 3 - CASH:

Deposits with financial institutions:

The cash balances of the Township's governmental activities, which consist entirely of deposits with financial institutions, amount to \$683,300 at year end. Michigan Compiled Laws Section 129.91 (Public Act 20 of 1943, as amended) and the Township's investment policy authorize the Township to make deposits in the accounts of federally-insured banks, credit unions, and savings and loan associations that have an office in Michigan. The Township's deposits are in accordance with statutory authority.

Custodial credit risk of deposits is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, the Township will not be able to recover its deposits. Deposits are exposed to custodial credit risk if they are not covered by depository insurance. As of March 31, 2007, \$509,397 of the Township's bank balances of \$709,397 was exposed to custodial credit risk because it was uninsured.

The Township believes that it is impractical to insure all bank deposits due to the amounts of the deposits and the limits of FDIC insurance. As a result, the Township evaluates each financial institution with which it deposits funds and assesses the risk level of each institution. Only the institutions with an acceptable estimated risk level are used as depositories.

NOTE 4 - RECEIVABLES:

Receivables, as of year end, for the Township's individual major funds are as follows:

Fund	Property taxes	•	ecial ssments	Inter- ernmental	<u>Ir</u>	nterest_	Total
General Fire	\$ 11,179 14,115	\$	2,707	\$ 42,822	\$	5,046	\$ 61,754
Totals	\$ 25,294	\$	2,707	\$ 42,822	\$	5,046	\$ 75,869

All receivables are current and are considered fully collectible.

NOTE 5 - CAPITAL ASSETS:

Capital asset activity for the year ended March 31, 2007, was as follows:

	Beginning _balance	_Increases_	Decreases_	Ending _balance
Governmental activities:				
Capital assets not being depreciated - land	\$ 26,000	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	\$ 26,000
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Buildings and improvements	633,408	10,900	-	644,308
Shared road costs	30,426	219,764	-	250,190
Equipment	620,191	28,032	(2,224)	645,999
Subtotal	1,284,025	258,696	(2,224)	1,540,497
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings and improvements	(114,527)	(12,759)	-	(127,286)
Shared road costs	(254)	(1,863)	-	(2,117)
Equipment	(267,682)	(53,028)	111	(320,599)
Subtotal	(382,463)	(67,650)	111	(450,002)
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	901,562	191,046	(2,113)	1,090,495
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 927,562	\$ 191,046	<u>\$ (2,113)</u>	\$ 1,116,495

Township of Spencer NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

NOTE 5 - CAPITAL ASSETS (Continued):

Depreciation expense was charged to functions of the Township as follows:

Governmental activities:

General government

\$ 17,462

Public safety

50,188

Total

\$ 67,650

NOTE 6 - LONG-TERM DEBT:

At March 31, 2007, long-term debt is comprised of the following individual issue:

Governmental activities:

\$108,874, 2005 installment purchase agreement with Chase Equipment Leasing, Inc. - payable in monthly installments of \$2,052, bearing interest at 4.95% per annum, through August 2010

\$ 77,259

Long-term debt activity for the year ended March 31, 2007, was as follows:

	Beginning balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending balance	Amounts due within one year
Installment purchase agreement	\$ 97,513	\$	\$ (20,254)	\$ 77,259	\$ 21,280

At March 31, 2007, debt service requirements were as follows:

Year ended	Governmental activities						
June 30,	P	rincipal	Interest				
2008	\$	21,280	\$	3,344			
2009		22,358		2,266			
2010		23,488		1,136			
2011		10,133		129			
Totals	\$	77,259	\$	6,875			

NOTE 7 - DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PENSION PLAN:

The Township provides retirement benefits for all of its eligible employees through a defined contribution pension plan. In a defined contribution plan, benefits depend solely on amounts contributed to the plan, plus investment earnings. Employees are eligible to participate from the date of employment and may contribute to the plan. Contributions range from \$250 to \$2,500 per employee, depending upon annual compensation. The Township's contributions are fully vested immediately. All costs associated with the plan are paid currently.

The Township is not a trustee of the plan, nor is the Township responsible for investment management of plan assets. Accordingly, plan assets and changes therein are not reported in these financial statements.

The Township made the required contributions of \$24,594 for the year ended March 31, 2007.

NOTE 8 - RISK MANAGEMENT:

The Township is exposed to various risks of loss related to property loss, torts, errors and omissions, and employee injuries (workers' compensation). The Township has purchased commercial insurance for each of these claims and is neither self-insured, nor participates in a shared-risk pool. Settled claims relating to commercial insurance have not exceeded the amount of insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

NOTE 9 - CONSTRUCTION CODE ACT:

A summary of construction code enforcement transactions for the year ended March 31, 2007, is as follows:

Revenues	\$ 62,128
Expenses	(54,231)

Excess of revenues over expenses

\$ 7,897

NOTE 10 - RESTRICTED NET ASSETS:

Net assets of the governmental activities, as of March 31, 2007, are restricted for the following purposes:

Public safety - fire protection	\$ 202,585
Public works: Right-of-way (Metro Act) Weed control	12,877 54,794
Total public works	67,671
Total restricted net assets	\$ 270,256

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Township of Spencer BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - General Fund

DEVENUES	Original budget	Amended budget	Actual	Variance favorable (unfavorable)
REVENUES				
Property taxes	\$ 134,620	\$ 134,620	\$ 139,869	\$ 5,249
Licenses and permits	67,880	67,880	69,266	1,386
State grants	226,500	226,500	256,916	30,416
Charges for services	5,500	5,500	2,522	(2,978)
Interest and rentals Other:	19,000	19,000	39,149	20,149
Special assessments	22,200	22,200	26,856	4,656
Miscellaneous	1,000	1,000	2,383	1,383
Total revenues	476,700	476,700	536,961	60,261
EXPENDITURES				
Legislative	10,000	10,000	10,000	
General government:				
Supervisor	25,500	21,790	21,772	18
Elections	6,500	7,385	7,378	7
Assessor	30,500	26,760	26,743	17
Clerk	30,500	30,200	30,190	10
Board of review	1,800	1,440	1,428	12
Treasurer	31,500	28,520	28,476	44
Hall and grounds	44,000	47,170	47,772	(602)
Cemetery	3,000	2,340	4,800	(2,460)
Administration	97,800	90,140	78,070	12,070
Total general				
government	271,100	255,745	246,629	9,116
Public safety - building inspections	54,000	54,270	54,231	39
Public works:				
Road improvements	100,000	120,730	235,727	(114,997)
Weed control	27,000	25,810	25,759	
Total public works	127,000	146,540	261,486	(114,946)

Township of Spencer BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - General Fund (Continued)

EXPENDITURES (Continued)	Original budget	Amended budget	Actual	Variance favorable (unfavorable)
Community and economic development - planning and zoning	\$ 24,100	\$ 26,780	\$ 26,768	\$ 12
Capital outlay	20,500	13,365	13,135	230
Total expenditures	506,700	506,700	612,249	(105,549)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(30,000)	(30,000)	(75,288)	(45,288)
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING	613,118	613,118	613,118	-
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	\$ 583,118	\$ 583,118	\$ 537,830	\$ (45,288)

Township of Spencer BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - Fire Fund

		Original budget	Amended budget	Actual	Variance favorable (unfavorable)
REVENUES					
Property taxes		\$ 157,000	\$ 157,000	\$ 162,540	\$ 5,540
Charges for se	rvices	7,500	7,500	7,500	-
Interest		2,000	2,000	4,830	2,830
Other		4,500	4,500	5,363	<u>863</u>
	Total revenues	171,000	171,000	180,233	9,233
EXPENDITURE	ES				
Public safety		121,000	121,000	96,011	24,989
Capital outlay		25,000	25,000	23,412	1,588
Debt service:					,
Principal		20,000	20,000	20,254	(254)
Interest		5,000	5,000	4,371	629
	Total expenditures	171,000	171,000	144,048	26,952
NET CHANGE	IN FUND BALANCES	-	-	36,185	36,185
FUND BALAN	CES - BEGINNING	166,400	166,400	166,400	
FUND BALAN	CES - ENDING	\$ 166,400	\$ 166,400	\$ 202,585	\$ 36,185

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Members of the Township Board Township of Spencer, Michigan

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of the Township of Spencer as of and for the year ended March 31, 2007, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Township of Spencer's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control. Our consideration of internal control included procedures to evaluate the design of controls relevant to an audit of financial statements and to determine whether they have been implemented, but it did not include procedures to test the operating effectiveness of controls, and accordingly, was not directed to discovering significant deficiencies in internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we identified a deficiency in internal control that we consider to be a material weakness.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control. We believe that the following deficiency constitutes a material weakness.

The Township does not have procedures in place to prepare financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, including procedures to record revenue and expenditure accruals, and changes in capital assets, and to present required financial statement disclosures.

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Trustees of the Township of Spencer and the State of Michigan Department of Treasury and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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